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U.S. Postal Service Continues To Accept Mail to Canada *Service Suspension Possible, But Global Express Guaranteed Will Be Unaffected*

WASHINGTON — Despite the nationwide suspension of service by Canada Post announced last night, the U.S. Postal Service will continue to accept mail to Canada at this time.

However, if a settlement is not reached by Friday, June 17, between Canada Post and the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, the U.S. Postal Service will then have to suspend acceptance of all services destined for Canada — except Global Express Guaranteed (GXG) service.

Regardless of the strike situation in Canada, U.S. Postal Service customers will still be able to send letters and packages to Canada via (GXG) service. GXG is the premium, date-certain international shipping option from the U.S. Postal Service with international transportation and delivery by FedEx Express. GXG is available online at www.usps.com and at participating retail locations throughout the United States.

U.S. Postal Service officials will continue to closely monitor the situation in Canada and have contingency plans in place.

Additional information and updates regarding acceptance and movement of international mail are posted online at www.usps.com/communications/news/serviceupdates.htm.

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